

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S6489–S6514*

**Measures Introduced:** Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2830–2840, and S. Res. 417–419. **Page S6507**

**Measures Reported:**

S. 1877, to establish procedures and consequences in the event of a failure to complete regular appropriations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–158) **Page S6507**

**Measures Passed:**

**National Law Enforcement Museum Commemorative Coin Act:** Senate passed H.R. 1865, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint a coin in commemoration of the opening of the National Law Enforcement Museum in the District of Columbia, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S6512**

Inhofe (for Blunt) Amendment No. 1244, to add a provision relating to financial assurances. **Page S6512**

**Senate buildings charitable collection:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 419, permitting the collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings. **Page S6512**

**ESSENTIAL NATIONAL SECURITY AUTHORITIES ACT INDEFINITELY POSTPONED—AGREEMENT:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate's action placing S. 2731, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2020 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, on the calendar be vitiated and the bill be considered introduced and held at the desk, on October 29, 2019, and then indefinitely postponed. **Page S6512**

**Messages from the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–36) **Page S6506**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979, with respect to Iran; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–37) **Page S6507**

**WOLF NOMINATION—AGREEMENT:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Chad F. Wolf, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans, Department of Homeland Security. **Pages S6491–S6500**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 54 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. EX. 353), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6500**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, November 13, 2019, with the post-cloture time expiring at 11 a.m. **Page S6512**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations: Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Page S6514**

**Measures Read the First Time:** **Pages S6507, S6512**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S6507–09**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S6509–10**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S6505–06**

**Amendments Submitted:** Pages S6511–12

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today.  
(Total—353) Page S6500

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:01 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, November 13, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the

remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6512.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 26 public bills, H.R. 5032–5057; 1 private bill, H.R. 5058; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 688–692 were introduced. Pages H8782–84

**Additional Cosponsors:** Pages H8785–86

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3699, to codify the Transportation Security Administration's responsibility relating to securing pipelines against cybersecurity threats, acts of terrorism, and other nefarious acts that jeopardize the physical security or cybersecurity of pipelines, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–279);

H.R. 1615, to transfer the responsibility of verifying small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans or service-disabled veterans to the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–280, Part 1);

H.R. 3224, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for increased access to Department of Veterans Affairs medical care for women veterans, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–281); and

H.R. 3141, to limit the collection of annual premiums under the FHA program for mortgage insurance for single family housing, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–282).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Butterfield to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H8745

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. Pages H8745, H8775

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:05 p.m. and reconvened at 4:05 p.m. Pages H8745–46

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Protect the GI Bill Act:** H.R. 4625, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to require that educational institutions abide by certain principles as a condition of approval for purposes of the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs; Pages H8746–51

**Reducing High Risk to Veterans and Veterans Services Act:** H.R. 4477, amended, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress a plan to address certain high risk areas identified by the Comptroller General of the United States regarding the Department of Veterans Affairs in the 2019 High-Risk List of the Government Accountability Office; Pages H8751–53

**VA Tele-Hearing Modernization Act:** H.R. 4771, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to permit appellants to appear in disability compensation cases before the Board of Veterans' Appeals by picture and voice transmission from locations other than facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs; Pages H8753–55

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit appellants to appear in cases before the Board of Veterans' Appeals by picture and voice transmission from locations other than facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes."; Page H8755

**VA Overpayment Accountability Act:** H.R. 4360, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the due process accorded veterans with respect to recovery of overpayments made by the Department and other amounts owed by veterans to the United States, to improve the processing of veterans benefits by the Department of Veterans Affairs; Pages H8755–57

**Protecting Families of Fallen Servicemembers Act:** H.R. 4356, amended, to amend the